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Fri, Aug 5, 2022, 9:58
PM

to me, swansea, Laura

Hi Annie,
cc: Laura Frogameni

I am reaching out at the suggestion of David Narkewicz, who thought you might be able to help me find a document from the 2020-2021 school year summarizing the previous efforts around changing the high school start time.

Just for context, I have been the director of Northampton Parents Center (NPC) for 17 years and am now also in graduate school for social work. I am writing a paper on the community change effort around NHS start time for my Communities and Organizations course.

Thank you for any help you can provide on this matter.
Thank you also for all you do for our school district -- I work closely with NPS Early Childhood in my role at NPC and I am quite proud of our schools.
Warmly,
Swansea

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Mon, Aug 8, 2022, 6:01
PM

to me

Hi Annie,
I got the email that you were on vacation last week and so am sending this request freshly! I am sure you are quite busy in advance of the School Committee meeting this week. Thank you for any help you can give me in obtaining this document with the history of the high school start time change effort.
Thank you,
Swansea

Annie Thompson <anniethompson@northampton-
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Tue, Aug 9, 2022, 8:01
AM

to Swansea

Hi Swansea,

I'm happy to provide you with whatever information you're looking for. There is a lot of documentation regarding the start time issue, going back many years. Can you narrow the scope a little for me? Are you looking for when the vote on the time change happened? Minutes from the Budget & Property subcommittee? Timeline? If you can be more specific I can send you what you're looking for and we can start there. I will also let you know there is another Budget & Property subcommittee meeting on August 16th at 4:00PM that is of course open to the public. The start time issue will be on that agenda for discussion.

Annie

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to me

Aug 9, 2022, 7:42 PM

Hi Annie,
Thank you so much for your reply and your help.

David Narkewicz mentioned a document: "when the 2020-2021 School Committee took up this issue the NPS Administration created a document compiling all of the previous studies and iterations of the start time discussion... We had many School Committee members and families who were new to the discussion, so this summary provided a chronological history of the start time debate that spanned multiple superintendents and committees."

Does that description help narrow it down? I think it's a summary and timeline up to that year. That would be so helpful. Any documents on the topic would be greatly appreciated, but I was thinking this one document would be all I would need for the history.
Thank you!
Swansea



Annie Thompson <anniethompson@northampton-k12.us>
to Swansea

Sep 1, 2022, 11:42 AM

Hi Swansea,

Here are the start time plans proposed in the summer of 2021. I hope this is useful for you. I haven't been able to find a compilation that was referenced by David Narkewicz,, but I will keep looking and if I find it I will send it to you. Please let me know if you want any other info. Thanks, Annie

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Sep 1, 2022, 7:34 PM

to me

Thank so much, Annie,
I'm all set now I think!
Swansea

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